



2018 Durham Latino Festival

Soccer Team Registration Information

General Information

Durham Latino Festival soccer games will begin Sunday, July 1, 2018. This is a four week recreational soccer tournament and the focus is on enjoyment with a competitive environment. Boys and girls have the opportunity to participate between the ages of 6 to 12 years old. Each team will be guaranteed 4 games. The game dates and times are scheduled as follows:

- Sunday, July 1, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, July 15, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, July 22, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, July 29, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Rain Date: Sunday, August 5, 2018 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Top 2 teams per age group Championship Game:
 - Saturday, August 11, 2018 12 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. @ Rock Quarry Park
 - Rain Date & Location: Sunday, August 19, 2018 at Holton Career and Resource Center, 401 North Driver Street, Durham, NC

FIFA/US Soccer Rules will be used for the games. Each game will be 2 x 25 minute halves with a 10 minute halftime. There will be an approximate 15 minute break between each game. Water Breaks will only be taken as needed or determined by the referees and/or coaches. One official (aka referee) will be provided for each game. For age divisions 8U and 10U, there will be 9 players per game and for age division 13U there will be 11 players per game. All age divisions will require a 7 player minimum to play the game. If a game ends in a tie, penalty kicks from the mark will be made for all age groups. For the 8U year old age group, there will be no penalty kicks for fouls. For the 10U and 11-12 age groups, there will be penalty kicks and direct free kicks for any fouls. No overtime at the end of regular time.

Age Divisions

The tournament consists of three divisions: 8U year olds, 10U year-olds, and 12U year olds.

Tournament Game Facility

Games for July 1-August 5, 2018 will take place at Holton Career and Resource Center located at 401 North Driver Street, Durham, NC.

Championship Games

Championship Games between the top two teams in each division will be held at the main day festival on Saturday, August 11th at Rock Quarry Park located at 701 Stadium Drive, Durham, NC. If the field is too wet to play, the rain make-up date will be Sunday, August 19, 2018 at Holton Career and Resource Center.

Registration

In order to participate, all participants must be registered through Durham Parks and Recreation. Registrations will be taken by team only. As a part of registration coaches must fill out a team roster and accompany it with a copy of each players birth certificate unless they have registered with us in the past. A maximum of 4 teams will be accepted per age category. Team registrations will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. No registrations will be accepted after June 28, 2018. No registration and referee fees are required.

Equipment Needed

Size 4 soccer balls for ages 8U and 10U and size 5 soccer balls for ages 12U. Durham Parks and Recreation will not provide team uniforms. Teams will need to wear their own uniforms. Parents are asked to provide soccer socks, rubber molded cleats or sneakers, and any color shorts. Shin guards must be worn at all times. No jewelry! All glasses must be secured to the head by an elastic band.

Parents/Spectators

Please remember that the games are for the players. DPR employees, coaches, and game officials (aka referees) are all here to provide the participants with a good time and experience. You can help to ensure that your son or daughter has a good experience through positive reinforcement. Please help the coaches and your child by emphasizing learning and skill development. Yelling or criticizing coaches, referees, and other players does not advance the game or your child's skills. Seating will not be provided to parents or spectators. Please do not set-up tents, tables, or chairs in between the two soccer fields at Holton. We want to ensure everyone's safety.

Rules of Conduct

These rules of conduct apply to the Durham Latino Festival & Soccer Challenge Tournament.

The referee and field supervisor are empowered to ask players, coaches, or fans to leave the field if they engage in any unsportsmanlike or abusive behavior.

Examples of behavior that may result in a player, coach, or fan being asked to leave the field area are as follows:

1. Dissent or abuse directed toward officials (aka referees), players, or coaches.
2. Offensive, Insulting or Obscene gestures or language directed at players, coaches, or officials (aka referees).
3. Fighting.
4. Threatening a player, coach, spectator, or official (aka referee).
5. Entering the playing field while the game is in progress without the permission of the referee.
6. Any other conduct that the referee or field supervisor deems unsportsmanlike or abusive. All cases of serious unsportsmanlike behavior will be reported to DPR staff, who will address the behavior and consequent discipline.
7. Verbal Abuse of the officials (aka referees) or participants will not be allowed.
8. Profane, obscene, or vulgar language used maliciously toward another participants or officials (aka referees) will not be tolerated.
9. Drinking or possession of alcoholic beverages will not be allowed at any Durham Parks and Recreation events or property.
10. Participants are not allowed to attend any Durham Parks and Recreation event or property while intoxicated.
11. Participants must refrain from any form of physical attack as an aggressor upon another participant or official (aka referee).
12. Firearms, knives, or other weapons are not allowed at Durham Parks and Recreation events or property.
13. Smoking is NOT allowed at any City of Durham owned facility.

For violations of the above mention City of Durham ordinances and laws legal authorities will be contacted.

Inclement Weather Procedures

The decision as to whether games will be held due to inclement weather will be made on Sundays by 10 a.m. the day in question. Coaches will be informed of a rainout. In the event of a thunderstorm during the games, the field supervisor will immediately suspend game and follow the Durham Parks and Recreation lightning protocol. If it is safe to continue after the storm has passed and the protocol has been followed, the field supervisor will make a decision. If at any time the field supervisor feels that playing conditions are unsafe, the field supervisor will suspend the game. A game is official and will not be rescheduled if at least the first half is played. The rain date for games is Sunday, August 5, 2018. The rain date and location for the Championship Games for the top two teams in each age division will be Sunday, August 19, 2018 at Holton Career and Resource, 401 North Driver Street, Durham, NC.

Please remember that soccer games may be played in the rain as long as the field is safe and there is no thunder or lightning. Often times, the decision as to whether to play or postpone a game will be made at the field at game time. If you don't hear that a game is postponed, please assume that it will be played.

Playing Time Requirements

Every participant must play at least one half of every game. In most cases, every player should play more than this. As much as possible, each player should be given a chance to play both offensive and defensive positions.

Coaches may reduce playing time for injuries and serious disciplinary matters. If a coach is having serious disciplinary issues with either a player or parent during the game, the coach should notify DPR staff as soon as possible.

Game and League Format

Each team will play one game per scheduled date and championship games. Each team is guaranteed 4 games. Durham Park and Recreation will give medals to all participants. As it is the tradition of this event to emphasize participation, learning, and healthy competition rather than winning.

Injuries

The referee will stop play at once if he/she feels that a player is seriously injured. If the referee feels that the player's injury is minor, he/she will allow play to continue until the ball goes out of bounds or until the flow of the game has stopped. Coaches and parents should not enter the field of play to tend an injured player until a referee indicates they may do so.

Coach, Players and Spectator Conduct and Sportsmanship

Coaches must stand on the sidelines during games. The referee shall remind each coach and captain of this rule before each game and the field supervisor shall enforce this rule. Coaches must position themselves and their teams' benches on one side of the field outside of the restraining areas. During play, coaches shall not walk in the half of the field in front of an opposing team's bench.

The coaches shall not interfere in any way with the play of the game. Under no circumstances shall the coach touch a player of either team or the ball other than trapping the ball to prevent it from rolling away from the field. If the coach does touch a player or the ball, or if the coach interferes with play in any manner, the coach shall, at the discretion of the referee, be cautioned or dismissed from the area of the field. (If removed for this reason, the coach may stay and watch the rest of the game from the spectator area. A second coach may take his/her place).

We ask for one or two coaches and the team to be the ones that are on the team side line. Parents and spectators are encouraged to watch, cheer, and to position themselves along the far touchlines (sidelines) across from the teams. We ask spectators not to be behind the touchlines (goal lines). Bleachers are positioned in areas that spectators are asked to sit/stand in.

Note: PARENTS & COACHES on the Laws of the Game

Referee

The referee is in charge of the game from the time it begins until it ends. This includes the time just before the match, between halves, and before departing the field. One referee will be used in the 8U, 10U and 12U divisions. At the discretion of the referee, we allow the use of parent/volunteers as assistant referees. The volunteer referee's assistants are to assist the referee and their only decision making is whether the whole ball has crossed out of the field of play. They are not to decide offside or make goal decisions.

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